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**Mail Stop Patent Application**

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**Re:** New Patent Application of: Hiroyuki INOUE, Takemasa ISHIKURO  
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**Title:** IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS

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Please find attached hereto an application for patent which includes:

- ☒ Specification, Claims and Abstract (39 Pages)
- ☒ 18 Sheets of Formal Drawings (Fig. 1 through Fig.18)
- ☒ Inventor's Declaration and Power of Attorney (1Page)
- ☒ Assignment document with cover page (3 Pages)
- ☒ Claim for priority and Priority document
- ☒ Information Disclosure Statement, Form PTO-1449, and a copy of one reference
- ☒ Fee (see formula below)
- ☒ Form PTO-2038

Basic Fee \$770/385 \$ 770.00

Additional Fees:

Total number of claims: 20  
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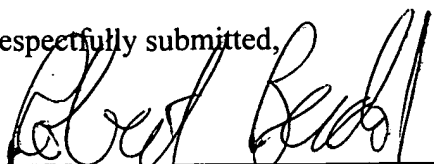
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